Patent claims

1. A device (1) for the generation of respirational air (9), comprising a compressor (4), from which compressed gas is delivered in a tube (2), comprising a device for cooling (5) and comprising at least one water separator (6), wherein the tube (2) contains a tapering passage (9) after which the water separator (6) is directly connected, the tapering passage (9) having a cooling effect on the gas in the operating state.

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- 2. The device (1) as claimed in claim 1, wherein a nozzle (3) is provided in the tube (2) as a tapering passage (9).
- 3. The device (1) as claimed in claim 3, wherein the nozzle (3) may have different forms.
 - 4. The device (1) as claimed in any of the preceding claims, wherein a second water separator (6) is connected before the tapering passage (9).
- 5. The device (1) as claimed in claim 4, wherein a further cooling device (5) for the gas is provided in the device (1) before the tapering passage (9).
 - 6. A method for the generation of respirational air (7), comprising a compressor (4) which delivers compressed gas, after which this gas is passed through a tapering passage (9) in which the gas is cooled, water being precipitated and being separated off by means of water separator (6).
 - 7. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the gas or air mixture is cooled by at least one fan (5) on the way to the tapering passage (9).
 - 8. The method as claimed in any of the preceding claims 6 and 7, wherein

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water which has condensed out is separated off in the water separator (6) before the tapering passage (9).